

Section I:
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.121 to the
CLAIMS

1 - 12 (cancelled)

13. (currently amended) A sealed bid sales offering system comprising:

a bid database in a network computer arrangement containing collected bids, ~~said database being accessible and queriable by a sales offering system~~, said collected bids each having an associated seal status indication field for indicating whether each bid is a sealed bid or is an unsealed bid;

a database query server querying ~~configured to query~~ said bid database for unsealed bids which match parameters of a Broker Profile Matrix associated with a trader console, said trader console comprising an intermediary third party user console communicably disposed between a bidder user console and ~~an offeror~~ broker user console, said trader console operating to buy products or services from said broker user console, and operating to resell said bought products and services to said bidder user console;

a bid transferor ~~configured to~~, responsive to finding matching unsealed bids for said trader console ~~[[,]] deliver~~ delivering said matching unsealed bids to said trader ~~a trader's~~ console, and preventing ~~further configured to prevent~~ delivery of sealed bids to said trader ~~a trader's~~ console; and

a display on said trader console of said ~~a trader's console configured to receive and display said delivered~~ matching unsealed bids to a ~~[[said]]~~ trader console user.

14. (cancelled)

15. (currently amended) The sealed bid sales offering system as set forth in Claim ~~[[14]]~~ 13 wherein said ~~computer network~~ database query server comprises an Internet server.

16. (currently amended) The sealed bid sales offering system as set forth in Claim ~~[[14]]~~ 13 wherein said ~~computer network~~ database query server comprises a Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP) server.

17. (currently amended) The sealed bid sales offering system as set forth in Claim 13 wherein said ~~sales offering system is configured to communicate with~~ trader console comprises a ~~computers which are~~ web browser devices.

18. (currently amended) The system as set forth in Claim 13 wherein said database query server ~~is configured to retrieve~~ retrieves unsealed bids from said bid database which meet criteria including a trader's location code.

19. (currently amended) The system as set forth in Claim 13 wherein said database query server ~~is configured to retrieve~~ retrieves unsealed bids from said bid database which meet criteria including a match with a trader's goods category code.

20. (currently amended) The system as set forth in Claim 13 further comprising a restricted access administrator console communicative with said bid database ~~for allowing conversion of~~ converting sealed bids to unsealed bids.

21. (currently amended) The system as set forth in Claim 13 further comprising a system clock or timer ~~configured to determine~~ determining which seals of sealed bids have expired as a criteria for retrieving unsealed bids.

22. (new) A sealed bid sales offering method comprising:

providing collected bids in a bid database in a network computer arrangement, said collected

bids each having an associated seal status indication field for indicating whether each bid is a sealed bid or is an unsealed bid;

querying by a database query server said bid database for unsealed bids which match parameters

of a Broker Profile Matrix associated with a trader console, said trader console

comprising an intermediary third party user console communicably disposed between a bidder user console and broker user console;

operating by said trader console to buy products or services from said broker user console;

operating by said trader to resell said bought products and services to said bidder user console;

responsive to finding matching unsealed bids for said trader console, delivering by a bid

transferor said matching unsealed bids to said trader console wherein delivery of delivery of sealed bids to said trader console is prevented; and

displaying on said trader console said delivered matching unsealed bids to a trader console user.

23. (new) The method as set forth in Claim 22 wherein said querying comprises a Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP) query.

24. (new) The method as set forth in Claim 22 further comprising providing a web browser trader console.

25. (new) The method as set forth in Claim 22 wherein said querying comprises retrieving unsealed bids from said bid database which meet criteria including a trader's location code.

26. (new) The method as set forth in Claim 22 wherein said querying comprises retrieving unsealed bids from said bid database which meet criteria including a match with a trader's goods category code.

27. (new) The method as set forth in Claim 22 further comprising providing a restricted access administrator console communicative with said bid database, and converting sealed bids to unsealed bids by said administrator console.

28. (new) The method as set forth in Claim 22 further comprising using a system clock or timer to determine which seals of sealed bids have expired as a criteria for retrieving unsealed bids.

29. (new) A computer readable memory comprising:
a computer readable memory suitable for encoding computer programs; and
one or more computer programs encoded by said computer readable memory and configured to:
provide collected bids in a bid database in a network computer arrangement, said
collected bids each having an associated seal status indication field for indicating
whether each bid is a sealed bid or is an unsealed bid;
query by a database query server said bid database for unsealed bids which match
parameters of a Broker Profile Matrix associated with a trader console, said trader
console comprising an intermediary third party user console communicably
disposed between a bidder user console and broker user console;
operate by said trader console to buy products or services from said broker user console;
operating by said trader to resell said bought products and services to said bidder
user console;
responsive to finding matching unsealed bids for said trader console, deliver by a bid
transferor said matching unsealed bids to said trader console wherein delivery of
delivery of sealed bids to said trader console is prevented; and
display on said trader console said delivered matching unsealed bids to a trader console
user.

30. (new) The computer readable memory as set forth in Claim 29 wherein said querying
comprises retrieving unsealed bids from said bid database which meet criteria including a
trader's location code.

31. (new) The computer readable memory as set forth in Claim 29 wherein said querying
comprises retrieving unsealed bids from said bid database which meet criteria including a match
with a trader's goods category code.